

Interview Summary

Application No.

09/658509

Applicant

Thomson et al.

Examiner

Chong H. Kim

Group Art Unit

3682

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Chong Kim

(3) _____

(2) Paul Dittmyer

(4) _____

Date of Interview 9/19/02Type: ☐ Telephonic ☐ Personal (copy is given to ☐ applicant ☒ applicant's representative).Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: ☐ Yes ☒ No. If yes, brief description:Agreement ☐ was reached. ☒ was not reached.Claim(s) discussed: 20

Identification of prior art discussed:

Giard, Roddy

Description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

The applicant asserted that Giard fails to show a limitation wherein a cavity is within a recess. The Examiner relied on Giard's Figs. 9 & 11 to show the opening in the medial portion ## of the clamping member 44 (as shown in Fig. 11).

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments, if available, which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments which would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

1. ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview.

Unless the paragraph above has been checked to indicate to the contrary, A FORMAL WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION IS NOT WAIVED AND MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a response to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW.

2. ☐ Since the Examiner's interview summary above (including any attachments) reflects a complete response to each of the objections, rejections and requirements that may be present in the last Office action, and since the claims are now allowable, this completed form is considered to fulfill the response requirements of the last Office action. Applicant is not relieved from providing a separate record of the interview unless box 1 above is also checked.

Chong H. Kim
CHONG H. KIM
PRIMARY EXAMINER

Examiner Note: You must sign and stamp this form unless it is an attachment to a signed Office action.